

PROJECT UPDATE

SR202 Widening

The Washington State Department of Transportation and the City of Redmond are currently working on Stage One of the SR 202 Widening project. This stage of the project will add one additional travel lane in each direction from SR 520 past East Lake Sammamish Parkway, and will include bike lanes and sidewalks. In the spring of 2005, the conversion of aerial utility lines to underground should be completed, and work to install a new stormwater collection system will begin on the north side of the roadway. Construction work within the existing street will be done at night when possible in order to minimize impacts to traffic. Completion of Stage One of the project is expected in late 2005.

For more information about this project, contact Rob Crittenden at rcrittenden@redmond.gov or 425-556-2838.

Street Improvements

A preliminary corridor design project for the NE 83rd St corridor between 158th Ave NE and 167th Ave NE was completed in late 2003. The primary goals of the corridor design were to improve pedestrian and vehicular safety and increase pedestrian access within the corridor. Based on the study, the City identified a project to improve pedestrian crossings and accessibility between 160th Avenue NE and 161st Avenue NE in response to numerous citizen complaints and pedestrian accidents at the NE 83rd Street/161st Avenue NE intersection.

The project includes the following improvements:

- Aligns NE 83rd St. at 160th Ave. NE and adds curb bulbs.
- Creates angle-in parking along the north side of NE 83rd St. and a small pocket

of parallel parking on the south side of NE 83rd St. from 160th to 161st Ave. NE.

- Aligns NE 83rd St. at 161st Ave. NE and creates curb bulbs and a traffic signal.
- Provides a temporary asphalt path to the existing bus shelter near the skate park.
- Provides additional street trees and vegetation at the intersections of 160th Ave. NE and 161st Ave. NE
- Provides a wider sidewalk (about 12-14 feet) that varies in width to preserve trees and other existing features.
- Implements water system improvements to correct non-standard installations in the vicinity of the 161st Ave. NE intersection.

The budget for the final design and construction of the project is approximately \$1.5 million. This amount does not include funds spent on the corridor design or additional funds required for the water system improvements. Construction will be limited on the SE corner of 161st Avenue NE, due to the anticipated construction of a Transit Oriented Development at the current Park and Ride.

Between March and June 2005, the contractor will begin site

preparation work, ordering materials for the traffic signal installation, and possibly utility relocation and construction.

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Water Source Improvement

The purpose of the Water Source Improvement Project is to evaluate and modernize the four existing wells to:

- Comply with the Safe Drinking Water Act, and its implementing regulations.
- Comply with the Uniform Fire Code.
- Upgrade equipment, electrical systems and controls.
- Increase safety for workers.
- Improve the visual appearance of the facilities.

The Well No. 5 Improvement Project consists of the demolition of the existing well facilities from the wellhead up, and the reconstruction of a new well house and treatment facility.

The Well No. 5 contract is expected to be advertised for bid in February 2005 with construction beginning in April 2005. Construction is expected to last approximately one year. Depending on weather and the snow pack in the mountains, however, construction could be delayed until later this fall.

For more information about this project, contact Dennis Brunelle at dbrunelle@redmond.gov or 425-556-2724.

